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Applicants are in receipt of the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due mailed by the Office on August 25, 2003. We respectfully note that the IDS enclosed therewith was not completely initialed by the Examiner. Specifically, reference AA (U.S. Patent No. 2,949,464) does not appear to have been considered. Enclosed for the Examiner's convenience is a copy of the PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B forms (date stamped May 28, 2003 by the Office) that were received with the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due.

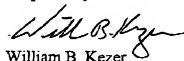
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